## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2007-363-C - ORDER NO. 2008-415

**AUGUST 6, 2008** 

IN RE:	Application of ILD Telecommunications,	)	ORDER GRANTING
	Inc. and Andiamo Telecom, LLC of an Asset	)	EXPEDITED REVIEW
	Purchase Agreement	)	AND APPROVING ASSET
		)	PURCHASE
		)	AGREEMENT

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the Application for Approval of an Asset Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") by 1LD Telecommunications, Inc. ("ILD") and Andiamo Telecom, LLC ("Andiamo") (together, the Applicants), whereby ILD will acquire those assets related to Andiamo's operator service customer accounts in South Carolina (the "Acquisition").

Upon the Applicants' filing, the Commission's Docketing Department instructed the companies to publish a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the areas affected by the application. The Applicants complied with this instruction and provided the Commission with proof of publication of the Notice of Filing. The purpose of the Notice was to provide notification of the present proceeding to any interested parties and to advise interested parties of the manner and time in which to file pleadings to participate in the docket. No protests or Petitions to Intervene were filed in this matter.

Prior to the scheduled hearing in this matter, the Applicants moved on May 16, 2008, for expedited review of the application. The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"), on May 23, 2008, filed a response to the Applicants' Motion for

Expedited Review advising that the ORS did not oppose expedited review of the application but with the stipulation that the Applicants meet certain conditions.

Verified testimony was offered by Robin Collins, Sr., Vice President of ILD Telecommunications, Inc., who testified that Andiamo is certified to provide operator services in this State pursuant to authority granted in Docket No. 2004-252-C on April 5, 2005, and that ILD provides services through its regulated entity, Intellicall Operator Services, Inc., ("IOS") which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of ILD. IOS is certified to provide long distance and operator services in this State pursuant to authority granted in Docket No. 92-168-C93-250 on March 30, 1993. Andiamo would continue to provide service as an independent entity pursuant to its own certification.

The transaction proposes to consolidate those operator assisted business and customer accounts of Andiamo with ILD in order to create a single, larger provider of operator assisted telecommunications services. Customers of Andiamo who chose to would be given the opportunity to switch their service from Andiamo to a different carrier. Finally, Ms. Collins testifies that ILD is well-qualified to consummate the transaction proposed in the Application.

ORS' May 23, 2008, response to the Applicants' Motion for Expedited Review advised that the ORS did not oppose expedited review of the application but requested that this Commission require Applicants to provide evidence or documentation to the Commission with a copy to ORS that they are in good standing with the South Carolina Department of Revenue within thirty days of the date of the Commission's Order.

We grant the Motion for Expedited Review. Further, based on the application and

the supporting verified testimony, we approve the Asset Purchase Agreement, but with

the stipulation requested by the ORS. Therefore, this Commission's approval is

contingent upon Applicants providing evidence or documentation to the Commission

with a copy to ORS that they are in good standing with the South Carolina Department of

Revenue within thirty days of the date of this Order.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the

Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Elizabeth B. Fleming, Chairman

ATTEST:

John E. Howard, Vice Chairman

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